

SUMMARY: The document below is the Prerogative Court of Canterbury copy of the last will and testament, dated 14 September 1545 and proved 27 November 1546, of Mary (nee Fortescue) Stonor Fettiplace Englefield, the daughter of Sir John Fortescue (d. 1500) of Ponsbourne, near Hatfield, Hertfordshire, and his wife Alice Boleyn, the daughter of Sir Geoffrey Boleyn (and great-aunt of Anne Boleyn).

The testatrix' first husband was John Stonor (d.1499), son and heir of Sir William Stonor (d. 21 May 1494) and his third wife, Anne Neville (d.1486), the daughter of Sir John Neville (c.1431-1471), Earl of Northumberland and Marquess of Montague, slain at the Battle of Barnet on 14 April 1471, and his wife, Isabel Ingaldesthorpe (d. 20 May 1476), daughter and heiress of Sir Edmund Ingaldesthorpe. After the death of Sir John Neville (c.1431-1471), his widow, Isabel Ingaldesthorpe (d. 20 May 1476), married, on 25 April 1472, as his second wife, Sir William Norris (1441-1507), whose first wife was Joan or Jane de Vere, daughter of John de Vere (1408-1462), 12th Earl of Oxford (see below for Elizabeth Norris (d. 22 January 1518), daughter of Joan de Vere and Sir William Norris (1441-1507)). For the foregoing see Richardson, Douglas, *Plantagenet Ancestry*, 2nd ed., (Salt Lake City, 2011), Vol. I, pp. 421, 512-13; Vol. III, pp. 295-6; the entries for Sir John Neville (c.1431-1471) and the Stonor family in the *Oxford Dictionary of National Biography*; the pedigree of Stonor in Carpenter, Christine, ed., *Kingsford's Stonor Letters and Papers 1290-1483*, (Cambridge University Press, 1996), pp. 32-3; and the pedigree of Norris in Rylands, W. Harry, ed., *The Four Visitations of Berkshire, 1532, 1566, 1623, 1665-6*, (London: Harleian Society, 1908), pp. 184-6.

The testatrix married secondly, Anthony Fettiplace (d. 23 December 1510), for whose will see TNA PROB 11/16, f. 285.

The testatrix married thirdly, Sir Thomas Englefield (1488-1537), for whose will see TNA PROB 11-27, f. 80.

Oxford was related to the Fortescue family through the second marriage of Sir Adrian Fortescue (c.1481-1539), the testatrix' brother, to Anne Rede (1510-1585), the daughter of Sir William Rede of Boarstall. For Oxford's relationship to Anne Rede (1510-1585), see issue #45 of the *Edward De Vere Newsletter* on this website.

Sir Francis Englefield (1522-1596), eldest son and heir of the testatrix' third husband, Sir Thomas Englefield (1488-1537), married Katherine Fettiplace (d.1579/80), daughter and sole heir of Sir Thomas Fettiplace (d.1523) of Compton Beauchamp, Berkshire, brother of the testatrix' second husband, Anthony Fettiplace (d. 23 December 1510). Katherine was the daughter of Sir Thomas Fettiplace (d.1523) by his second wife, Elizabeth Carew, sister of Sir Nicholas Carew (executed 3 March 1540), and daughter of Sir Richard Carew (d. 23 May 1520), for whose will see TNA PROB 11/21, ff. 17-18. See Richardson, Douglas, *Plantagenet Ancestry*, 2nd ed., Vol. I, (Salt Lake City, 2011), pp. 227-8. The first wife of Sir Thomas Fettiplace was Elizabeth (nee Norris) Rogers (d. 22 January 1518), widow of Thomas Rogers, and daughter of Sir William Norris (1433-1507) and his wife Joan or Jane de Vere, the daughter of John de Vere (1408-1462), 12th

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Earl of Oxford, and his wife, Elizabeth Howard (c.1410-1473/4). See the references noted above.

LM: T{estamentum} d{omi}ne M{arie} Englefeld

In the name of God, Amen. The 14th day of September in the 37th year of the reign of our most dread Sovereign Lord King Henry the 8th by the grace of God King of England, France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, and of the Church of England and Ireland Supreme Head next and immediately under God, I, Dame Mary Englefield, widow, being perfect of memory and in good health, thanked by Our Lord God, make and ordain this to be my last will and testament:

First I bequeath my soul to Our Lord God Almighty, my Saviour and Redeemer, and to Our Blessed Lady Saint Mary, and to all the holy company of heaven, and my body to be buried in the church of Our Lady at Swinbrook whereas my husband lieth, where I will to be distributed at the day of my burial to poor folks which shall dwell in the next parishes adjoining to Swinbrook and in Swinbrook £5;

Item, at my month's mind £10;

Item, at my year's mind according to the discretion of mine executors;

Item, I will to be bestowed upon my funeral charges, that is to say, at my burial, my month's mind and my year's mind, twenty pounds;

Item, I will and give unto the high altar of Swinbrook ten shillings;

Item, I will and bequeath to my son, Alexander [f. 176r] Fettiplace, whom I make my sole executor, my plate as followeth, that is to say, one basin and an ewer parcel gilt, 4 white bowls with a cover parcel gilt, three gilt bowls with a cover, two pots of silver, one little standing cup gilt, two salts with a cover gilt, a gilt spoon with a dozen of silver spoons, one gilt cruse without [+a?] cover, a high gilt cruse with a cover, all which plate I will my said son, Alexander, shall have for term of his life, and after his decease to will it to remain to William Fettiplace, son and heir of my said son, Alexander, and if it fortune the said Alexander, my son, to die, as God forbid, without issue male, that then the said plate to be divided equally amongst the daughters of my said son, Alexander;

Item, I will and bequeath to my son, Alexander, all my stuff of household with all my timber-wood [+and?] other necessaries and implements movable and unmovable about and in my said house;

Item, I will and bequeath to my said son, Alexander, a ring of gold with a sapphire;

Item, I give and bequeath to my daughter, Anne, wife to my said son, Alexander Fettiplace, my great beads with paternosters(?) of gold;

Item, I will and bequeath to my daughter, Ursula Fettiplace, late of Syon, ten pounds in money;

Item, I give and bequeath a cross of gold set with 4 diamonds, that is to say, three sharp and one table diamond in the mids, to William Fettiplace, son and heir of Alexander Fettiplace;

Item, I bequeath to Mary Fettiplace and Anne Fettiplace, daughters of my said son, Alexander, my chain of gold with one link wreathed and another plain, weighing (blank), to be divided equally between them;

Item, I bequeath and give to the said Anne a ring of gold set with a flower-de-luce of diamonds;

Item, I give and bequeath to the said Mary Fettiplace a clasping harness of gold set with pearls and one stone in the middle;

Item, I will and bequeath to the said Mary my ring of gold with a sharp diamond;

Item, I will and bequeath my chain of gold pertaining to the cross which I have given to my son, William, to be divided equally in two parts, that is to say, thone half of the said chain to Elizabeth Fettiplace and the other half to Ursula Fettiplace, daughters of my said son, Alexander;

Item, I will and bequeath to the said Elizabeth Fettiplace a clasping harness of gold set with pearl and stone, and a chain hanging by it with an acorn of gold;

Item, I bequeath and will to Ursula Fettiplace, daughter of the [sic] said son, Alexander, a little cross of gold set with five diamonds, and a ring of gold set with turquoises and a ruby;

Item, I will and bequeath to Katherine Fettiplace, my said son's daughter, a pair of hooks of gold and ten pounds in money;

Item, I will and bequeath to Roger King, besides his wages and livery, a black coat and 6s 8d;

Item, I will and bequeath to John Heycter, besides his wages and livery, a black coat and six shillings eight pence;

Item, I will and bequeath to Richard Poynter, besides his wages and livery, a black coat and six shillings eight pence;

Item, I will and bequeath to Thomas Tissdalle, besides his wages and livery, a black coat and six shillings eight pence;

Item, I will and bequeath to William Bradnam, besides his wages and livery, a black coat and 6s 8d;

Item, I will and bequeath to William Too, besides his wages and livery, a black coat and six shillings eight pence;

Item, I will and bequeath to Roger Baker, besides his wages and livery, a black coat and 3s 4d;

Item, I will and bequeath to all my godchildren within the town of Swinbrook, each of them 12d;

Item, I will that mine executor provide a virtuous and honest priest to sing for my soul by the space of a whole year in the church of Swinbrook, and to have for his wages £6 13s 4d;

Item, I will and charge my said son, Alexander Fettiplace, to be good unto my daughter, Ursula Fettiplace, his sister, and to see that she have a necessary and honest living the term of her life;

And for the sure performance of this my last will, if that (my legacies accomplished) my goods do not rise nor extend to fulfilling thereof, I will and charge that my said son, Alexander Fettiplace, see this my last will performed in every point with such money as he oweth me;

The rest of my goods, debts and chattels movable and unmovable I give to my said son, Alexander Fettiplace, whom I appoint, ordain and make my sole executor, these being witnesses, Sir William Bull, curate, William Wynchester, Robert Piyman(?), John Hayter, Richard Poynter. By me, Dame Mary Englefield.

Probatum fuit suprascriptum testamentum coram domino Archiepiscopo Cantuariensis apud London vicesimo septimo die mensis Novembris Anno domini millesimo quingentesimo quadagesimo sexto Iuramento David Clapham notarij publici procuratoris executoris in huiusmodi testamentum nominatim cui commissaria fuit administrationis Ac approbatum et insinuatum Et commissaria fuit administrationis bonorum etc profatorem executori De bene et fideliter administrationis eadem Ac de pleno Inventario exhibendo Necnon de plano et vero contentum reddendo Ad sancta dei Evangelia in personam dei procuratoris Iurat

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[=The above-written testament was proved before the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury at London on the twenty-seventh day of the month of November in the year of the Lord the thousand five hundred forty-sixth by the oath of David Clapham, notary public, proctor of the executor named in the same testament, to whom administration was granted, and probated and entered, and administration was granted of all the goods etc. to the forenamed executor, sworn on the Holy Gospels in the person of the said proctor to well and faithfully administer the same, and to exhibit a full inventory, and also to render a plain and true account.]